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H. J. Res. 141

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DIGEST OF PUBLIC LAW 26.

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374 (Pub. 40) 79th Congress, and for other purposes.

Provides for items of urgent character, including the provision for the control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases, \$1,080,050.00.

Summary and Index of History on H. J. Res. 141

March 24, 1945	Introduced by Rep. Cannon, Missouri. Print of measure as introduced.
March 26, 1945	Reported by House Appropriations Committee. House Report 384. Print of measure as reported. Passed both Houses without amendment.
March 31, 1945	Approved. Public Law 26.

See also H. R. 2374 (Pub. 40) -- 79th Cong.

4. APPROPRIATIONS. H. J. Res. 141, by Rep. Cannon, Mo., making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, the first deficiency appropriation bill, 1945. To Appropriations Committee. (p. 2785.)
5. TARIFF. H. R. 2767, by Rep. Lewis, Ohio, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930, by withdrawing from the President power to decrease existing rates of duty or transferring any article from the dutiable to free list. To Ways and Means Committee. (p. 2785.)
6. VETERANS. H. R. 2768.

ITEMS IN APPENDIX

7. MEAT DISTRIBUTION. Rep. Gardner, Ohio, inserted his letter to Economic Stabilization Director Davis relative to the meat situation, particularly "the discrimination between federally inspected slaughter houses and nonfederally inspected slaughter houses" (p. A1541).
Rep. Goodwin, Mass., inserted a Wakefield (Mass.) Daily Item editorial criticizing meat distribution in New England (p. A1565).
8. SURPLUS PROPERTY; SMALL BUSINESS. Rep. Marcantonio, N. Y., inserted an American Labor Party statement proposing that surplus property be made available to small business and stating, "The Surplus Property Act of 1944 is preeminently sound, and if properly administered, will be workable." (pp. A1564-4).
9. RECLAMATION. Rep. Gearhart, Calif., inserted a Fresno (Calif.) Bee editorial favoring the Kings River (Calif.) project (p. A1566).
10. FOREIGN TRADE; CARTELS. Rep. Short, Mo., inserted Pres. J. Howard Pew's (Sun Oil Co.), address stating "The Widespread movement that recently has come to the front to cartelize world trade under government control through so-called trade accords is, in my opinion, the greatest danger now threatening economic progress in America" (pp. A1535-6), and also his address, "Cartels Threaten Economic Progress" (pp. A1535-7).
11. BANKING AND CURRENCY. Extension of remarks of Rep. Lemke, N. Dak., including former Rep. Binderup's address, opposing the Bretton Woods agreements (pp. A1541-2).
Rep. Spence, Ky., inserted an American Farm Bureau Federation's communication and resolution favoring the Bretton Woods agreements (p. A1572).
12. UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES. Rep. Mundt, S. Dak., inserted a Life Magazine article, "Un-American Activities: What Are They?" (pp. A1544-5).
13. BUREAUCRACY; FOOD PRODUCTION. Extension of remarks of Rep. Hoffman, Mich., discussing WPB Chairman Krug's statement "There is a limit to what America can produce," and criticizing "bureaucratic" controls so that "there will be plenty to eat." (pp. A1567-8).
14. VETERANS. Rep. Bradley, Pa., inserted Dr. Loyal D. Odhner's address discussing vocational training for the physically handicapped veteran (pp. A1532-5).

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5. AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION BILL, 1946, H. R. 2689. House Appropriations Committee. (These hearings were distributed as soon as received pursuant to a distribution list that had been worked out with the bureaus and offices.)

Government obligations and notes secured by mortgages or purchase-money mortgages on farms, or contracts for the sale of farms not in excess of 65% of the normal land value; permit bond denominations in such amounts and maturities as may be determined by FCA; permit issuance of bonds secured by collateral prescribed by this Act. Amends the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933 so as to make a positive requirement that, with one exception, the rate on Land Bank Commissioner loans shall be 1 percent higher than the rate of Federal land bank loans; require borrowers from the Land Bank Commissioner to agree to apply for Federal land bank loans to refinance their Commissioner loans if and when Federal land bank credit becomes available to them; extend it until July 1, 1947:

Authorize FPMC to sell its Land-Bank-Commissioner-loan notes and mortgages to the land bank in the district where mortgaged properties are located. Amends the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans to veterans to purchase stock in cooperative associations where the purchase of such stock is required by Federal statute as an incident to obtaining a loan on which a guaranty is sought. The bill also contains a provision to amend the Emergency Farm Mortgage Act of 1933 to authorize repayment of an additional \$50,000,000 of capital stock subscribed to by the Treasury.

SENATE

11. FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION BILL, 1945. Appropriations Committee reported with amendments this bill, H. R. 2374.

The Senate Committee amendments provide:

Office of Price Administration, \$6,800,000 (House figure, \$6,235,000);

Conservation and use of agricultural land resources, \$250,000 for AAA administrative expenses for the flax program;

Treasury Department, \$256,764,881.04 for restoration of CCC's capital impairment;

Corps of Engineers, War Department, \$2,000,000 for "Flood control, general provided that no part shall be impounded or held in reserve, but shall be immediately available for planning and preliminary work in connection with post-war construction projects, including those in the Missouri River Basin and in Central Valley, Calif.; and

Claims allowed by GAO, a new provision eliminating the itemized amounts and appropriating the total amounts under this heading for claims listed in H. Doc. 88 and S. Doc. 24, 79th Cong. Additional amounts for claims for damages to private property.

For other provisions see Digests 36a, 39, and 40.

NOT IN SESSION. Next meeting Mon., Mar. 26.

BILLS INTRODUCED

12. TRANSPORTATION. H. R. 2764, by Rep. Lea, Calif., to amend Sec. 409 of the Interstate Commerce Act, with respect to the utilization by freight forwarders of the services of common carriers by motor vehicles. To Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. (p. 2785)

13. IMPORTS. H. R. 2766, by Rep. Lewis, Ohio, to amend Sec. 1402, of title 19, U.S. Code, so as to require all customs duties on merchandise imported into the U.S. to be based upon the U. S. value thereof. To Ways and Means Committee. (p. 2785.)

COMMITTEE ON THE POST OFFICE AND POST ROADS

(Tuesday, March 27, 1945)

The Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads will meet on Tuesday, March 27, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of holding further hearings on H. R. 2071, a bill to reclassify the salaries of employees in the Postal Service, to establish uniform procedure for computing compensation, and so forth.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. JARMAN: Committee on Printing. House Concurrent Resolution 36. Concurrent resolution authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives to have printed for its use additional copies of the hearings on a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the making of treaties, held before Subcommittee No. 3 of the Committee on the Judiciary during the second session of the Seventy-eighth Congress; without amendment (Rept. No. 373). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. JARMAN: Committee on Printing. House Resolution 198. Resolution authorizing the printing of the opinion of the Supreme Court of the United States, No. 63, delivered during the October term, 1944, in the case of the *Northwestern Bands of Shoshone Indians, petitioners, v. The United States*, on writ of certiorari to the Court of Claims, as a House document; without amendment (Rept. No. 374). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. JARMAN: Committee on Printing. House Concurrent Resolution 38. Concurrent resolution authorizing the printing of the historical statement of the laws enacted and the regulations promulgated relating to veterans and their dependents, with a complete statement regarding expenditures for hospital and domiciliary construction as a House document, and providing for additional copies thereof; without amendment (Rept. No. 375). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. JACKSON: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 378. A bill authorizing an appropriation to carry out the provisions of the act of May 3, 1928 (45 Stat. 484), and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. No. 376). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JACKSON: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 1095. A bill for the relief of the Indians of the Fort Berthold Reservation in North Dakota; without amendment (Rept. No. 377). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JACKSON: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 1804. A bill to amend the act of Congress entitled "An act for the relief of the Tlingit and Haida Indians of Alaska," approved June 5, 1942; without amendment (Rept. No. 378). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JACKSON: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 2296. A bill amending the act of June 25, 1938 (52 Stat. 1207), authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to pay salary and expenses of the chairman, secretary, and interpreter of the Klamath General Council, members of the Klamath business committee and other committees appointed by said

Klamath General Council, and official delegates of the Klamath Tribe, as amended, and for other purposes; with amendment (Rept. No. 379). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JACKSON: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 2297. A bill to provide for the conservation of fish and wildlife on the Klamath Reservation, in Oregon, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. No. 380). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. JACKSON: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 2586. A bill to authorize the leasing of Indian lands for business, and other purposes; with amendments (Rept. No. 381). Referred to the Committee on the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. STIGLER: Committee on Indian Affairs. H. R. 2754. A bill to validate titles to certain lands conveyed by Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes and to amend the act entitled "An act relative to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma," approved January 27, 1933, and to validate State court judgments in Oklahoma and judgments of the United States district courts of the State of Oklahoma; without amendment (Rept. No. 382). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SLAUGHTER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 192. Resolution to direct the Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation to investigate the Veterans' Administration; without amendment (Rept. No. 383). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. LEA:

H. R. 2764. A bill to amend section 409 of the Interstate Commerce Act, with respect to the utilization by freight forwarders of the services of common carriers by motor vehicles; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. STIGLER:

H. R. 2765. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LEWIS:

H. R. 2766. A bill to amend section 1402 of title 19, United States Code, so as to require all customs duties on merchandise imported into the United States to be based upon the United States value thereof; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 2767. A bill to amend an act known as an act to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 (Public No. 316, 73d Cong.), approved June 12, 1934, as extended by Public Resolution No. 10, Seventy-fifth Congress, approved March 1, 1937, by withdrawing from the President power to decrease existing rates of duty or transferring any article from the dutiable to free lists; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GRANT of Indiana:

H. R. 2768. A bill to provide 30 days' leave, before honorable discharge, to all members of the land and naval forces who have served outside the limits of the continental United States; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri:

H. J. Res. 141. Joint resolution making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BARDEN:

H. R. 2769. A bill for the relief of C. Frank James; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. DONDERO:

H. R. 2770. A bill for the relief of Karl F. Rindelhardt; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. MCCORMACK:

H. R. 2771. A bill for the relief of the estate of Alexander McLean, also called Alex McLean; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. PIÑERO:

H. R. 2772. A bill for the relief of Juan Calcano; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. REES of Kansas:

H. R. 2773. A bill for the relief of George D. Brott; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. WEICHEL:

H. R. 2774. A bill for the relief of Mary Margaret Riddle; to the Committee on Claims.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

264. By Mr. CLASON: Petition of the General Court of Massachusetts, urging the Federal Government to procure land in Massachusetts for the establishment and maintenance of a national cemetery; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

265. By Mr. COCHRAN: Petition of Joe Watson and 27 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

266. Also, petition of H. H. Cunningham and 27 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

267. Also, petition of J. T. Ricks and 24 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

268. Also, petition of J. A. Parron and 26 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

269. Also, petition of Sarah Lane and 26 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

270. By Mr. LEWIS: Petition signed by certain residents of Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio, asking support of the Lemke bill to prohibit the vivisection of dogs in the District of Columbia, and further requesting my support of any such bill which will be national in scope; to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

271. By Mr. MARTIN of Massachusetts: Petition of the General Court of Massachusetts, urging the establishment by the Federal Government of a national cemetery in Massachusetts; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

272. By Mrs. ROGERS of Massachusetts: Petition of the General Court of Massachusetts, memorializing the Congress of the United States to take official cognizance of the inherent right of the people of Poland and other small nations to determine the form and kind of their own government; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

273. Also, petition of sundry citizens of Massachusetts asking that soya butter be

kept on the market available for use and that certain obstructions be removed to the distribution of soya butter and margarine; to the Committee on Agriculture.

274. By Mr. SHORT: Petition signed by J. H. Harris and other members of the Church of the Brethren of the Mountain Grove, Mo., congregation, urging that Congress do not pass any peacetime military conscription law; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

275. By Mrs. SMITH of Maine: Petition of Hattie F. White and other citizens of Wayne, Maine, deploring the shipping of malt beverages and other liquors into our fighting areas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

276. By Mr. SULLIVAN: Petition of Mr. Romadka and 28 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohi-

bition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

277. Also, petition of Mr. Medic and 32 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

278. Also, petition of Mr. Goose and 31 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

279. Also, petition of Mr. Schalk and 27 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

220. By Mr. WIGGLESWORTH: Petition of the General Court of Massachusetts, requesting the Federal Migratory Bird Conservation Commission and the Select Committee on Conservation of Wildlife Reserves of the United States House of Representatives to restrain any further action by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in the Parker River and Monomoy Point Refuges until the completion of an investigation thereof by a joint committee of the general court; to the Committee on Agriculture.

231. Also, petition of the General Court of Massachusetts, urging the Federal Government to procure land in Massachusetts for the establishment and maintenance of a national cemetery; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

79TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. J. RES. 141

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 1945

Mr. CANNON of Missouri introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following sums and paragraphs are appropriated,
4 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
5 in lieu of the corresponding sums and paragraphs contained
6 in the bill (H. R. 2374) making appropriations to supply
7 deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending
8 June 30, 1945, and for prior fiscal years, to provide supple-
9 mental appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30,

1 1945, and June 30, 1946, and for other purposes, as passed
2 by the House of Representatives on March 2, 1945, and as
3 reported to the Senate on March 24, 1945, namely:

4 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

5 CLERK HIRE, MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

6 Clerk hire, Members and Delegates: For an additional
7 amount for clerk hire for Representatives and Delegates and
8 Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, as authorized by
9 law, fiscal year 1945, \$657,000; and this amount shall
10 be consolidated with the previous appropriation for such
11 clerk hire for such fiscal year and the consolidated sum
12 shall be available for such clerk hire as authorized by law.

13 VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

14 Printing and binding: For an additional amount for
15 printing and binding, fiscal year 1945, \$200,000.

16 Pensions: For an additional amount for pensions, fiscal
17 year 1945, \$233,000,000.

18 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

19 Control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect
20 pests and plant diseases: For an additional amount for con-
21 trol of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and
22 plant diseases, fiscal year 1945, including the objects speci-
23 fied under this head in the Department of Agriculture
24 Appropriation Act, 1945, \$1,080,050.

1 OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

2 (Out of the postal revenues)

3 Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices:

4 For an additional amount, fiscal year 1945, for "Mis-

5 cellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices",

6 \$1,855,000.

7 OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER

8 GENERAL

9 Post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies: For an

10 additional amount for post-office stationery, equipment, and

11 supplies, including the objects specified under this head in

12 the Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1945, fiscal

13 year 1945, \$600,500: *Provided*, That the limitation on the

14 amount available for the pay of employees in the District of

15 Columbia, in connection with the shipment of supplies, is

16 increased from \$75,500 to \$82,000, and the limitation on the

17 amount available for salaries of the thirteen traveling

18 mechanics is increased from \$38,900 to \$42,000.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes.

By Mr. CANNON of Missouri

MARCH 24, 1945

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations

DIGEST OF PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS OF INTEREST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
(Issued March 27, 1945, for actions of Monday, March 26, 1945)

(For staff of the Department only)

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FIRST DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATION BILL, 1945. Passed with amendments this bill, H.R. 2374 (pp. 2794-2802). Agreed to all committee amendments as reported and to committee-approved amendments providing that the limitation on the amount that may be allocated for contributions to public and private agencies for the maintenance and operation of public works be increased from \$80,000,000 to \$85,000,000 (p. 2801) and providing that the expenses of auditing Government-corporation transactions by GAO shall be borne out of appropriations to GAO, that each such corporation shall reimburse GAO for the audit, that GAO shall deposit such sums in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, and that no corporation funds shall be used to pay the cost of any private audit not already contracted for (pp. 2801-2). Agreed to Sen. McKellar's amendment to strike out the item for control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases (p. 2802), after Sen. McKellar stated that this was one five of "urgent" items which are included in H.J.Res. 141 (see item 2).

Sens. Burton, Ohio, McKellar, Tenn., Taft, Ohio, Bridges, N.H., and others discussed CCC's program and operations (pp. 2796-2800).

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS, 1945. Both Houses passed without amendment H.J.Res. 141, containing items of an urgent character and including the provision as contained in the first deficiency appropriation bill for the control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases, \$1,080,050 (pp. 2802; 2816-8). This measure had been reported earlier in the day by the House Appropriations Committee (H.Rept. 384)(p. 2839). This measure will now be sent to the President.

FOREIGN TRADE. Both Houses received the President's message concerning the United Nations conference at San Francisco on international organization and the extension of the reciprocal trade agreements program. To Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees. (pp. 2802-4, 2837-9).

- DEBT LIMIT. Passed without amendment H.R. 2404, to increase the debt limit to \$300,000,000,000 (including the face amount of obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. (pp. 2804-6, 2810-14). This bill will now be sent to the President.
- POST-WAR AGRICULTURE. Received from the President the 1st report to the Government of the United Nations by the Interim Commission on Food and Agriculture (pp. 2815). In his message the President stated, "The Interim Commission has done its work well. It has prepared a plan for a permanent international organization through which governments can pool and extend their knowledge and collaborate with each other in raising the standards of nutrition of their peoples and in establishing and maintaining an expanding prosperity for agriculture in all countries."
- AGRICULTURAL APPROPRIATION BILL, 1946, was referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee (p. 2792).
- WATER UTILIZATION. Continued debate on the Mexican Water Treaty (p. 2793).
- COLUMBIA VALLEY AUTHORITY. Received an Oreg. Legislature resolution opposing the bills S. 460 and H.R. 1824, providing for the establishment of CVA, "or any... legislation that will deprive... Oregon... and its people of rights now existing... to control and use the waters within their borders for domestic use, irrigation and drainage... flood control" etc. To Commerce Committee. (pp. 2788-9.)
Both Houses
- PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES. /received an Ariz. Legislature resolution urging legislation to compensate the State for the loss of taxes on public lands (pp. 2789, 2840).
0. CIGARETTE SUPPLY. Sen. Langer, N. Dak., inserted a letter from the Smaller Tobacco Manufacturers urging efforts to relieve the tobacco situation (pp. 2792-3).
1. MILITARY TRAINING. Received a S.C. American Legion Post resolution favoring universal military training (p. 2789).
2. MANPOWER. Sen. McCarran, Nev., inserted William Green's (AFofL) letter opposing the manpower bill, H.R. 1752 (p. 2792).
3. FEDERAL-AID ROADS. Sen. Wiley, Wis., inserted a Wis. county officials resolution urging that Federal-aid funds for road improvement be made available under the direct supervision of local highway officials (p. 2790).
- HOUSE
4. FOOD SUPPLY. Began debate on H. Res. 195, providing for a special committee to investigate supplies and shortages of food, especially meat (pp. 2829-36). Rep. Flannagan, Va., criticized the proposal to set up a special committee (pp. 2829-30). Rep. Cox, Ga., stated that "I thought... /the Agriculture Committee/ should be given the power... but my committee thought otherwise" (p. 2829). Rep. Hope, spoke favoring an investigation and stated that "we need... an over-all food administration" (p. 2830).
5. SUBSIDIES. Banking and Currency Committee reported without amendment H.R. 2775, to permit certain subsidy and loss operations, in the case of flour, without regard to the provision in the Emergency Price Control Act relating to less than maximum production (H. Rept. 394) (pp. 2839-40).

field of trade has many fronts, and we must try to get forward on each of them as rapidly and as wisely as we can. I shall continue therefore to explore the possibility also of reaching a common understanding with the friendly nations of the world on some of the other international trade problems that confront us. The appropriate committees of the Congress will be fully consulted as that work progresses. The purpose of the whole effort is to eliminate economic warfare, to make practical international cooperation effective on as many fronts as possible, and so to lay the economic basis for the secure and peaceful world we all desire.

When this trade agreements legislation and the other legislation I have recommended to this Congress is adopted, and when the General Organization of the United Nations and their various special agencies, including one on trade, have been created and are functioning, we shall have made a good beginning at creating a workable kit of tools for the new world of international cooperation to which we all look forward. We shall be equipped to deal with the great overriding question of security, and with the crucial questions of money and exchange, international investment, trade, civil aviation, labor, and agriculture.

As I said in my message of February 12 on the Bretton Woods proposals:

The point in history at which we stand is full of promise and of danger. The world will either move toward unity and widely shared prosperity or it will move apart into necessarily competing economic blocs. We have a chance, we citizens of the United States, to use our influence in favor of a more united and cooperating world. Whether we do so will determine, as far as it is in our power, the kind of lives our grandchildren can live.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 26, 1945.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking and Currency have until midnight tonight to file a report on the bill H. R. 2775.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Kentucky?

There was no objection.

HOOR OF MEETING TOMORROW

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

DESIGNATION OF ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I desire to announce that I have designated the gentleman from California [Mr. SHEPPARD] to act as majority leader during the recess while I am away.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

Mr. MERROW asked and was given permission to revise and extend the remarks he made on House Resolution 95.

Mr. DICKSTEIN asked and was given permission to extend his remarks in the Record and include an address delivered by the gentlewoman from California [Mrs. DOUGLAS] in New York City on March 23.

Mr. LEWIS asked and was given permission to extend his remarks in the Record in two instances and in one to include an excerpt from a newspaper.

Mr. REES of Kansas asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.

Mr. PHILBIN asked and was given permission to extend his remarks in the Record and include an editorial and an article from today's Washington News.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. ROGERS of New York, from the Committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

H. R. 2126. An act making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1946, for civil functions administered by the War Department, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 19 minutes p. m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 27, 1945, at 11 o'clock a. m.

COMMITTEE HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON THE POST OFFICE AND POST ROADS

(Tuesday, March 27, 1945)

The Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads will meet on Tuesday, March 27, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of holding further hearings on H. R. 2071, a bill to reclassify the salaries of employees in the Postal Service, to establish uniform procedure for computing compensation, and so forth.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

351. A letter from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a draft of a proposed bill to amend the Alaska game law; to the Committee on the Territories.

352. A letter from the Vice President of Panama Railroad Company, transmitting a quarterly estimate of personnel requirements, for the quarter ending June 30, 1945; to the Committee on the Civil Service.

353. A letter from the Acting Secretary of War, transmitting a draft of a proposed bill to authorize the Secretary of War to exchange with the Rosslyn Connecting Railroad Co. certain lands in the vicinity of the War Department Pentagon Building, in Arlington, Va.; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

354. A letter from the Acting Secretary of War, transmitting a copy of the quarterly estimate of personnel requirements, for the

quarter ending June 30, 1945; to the Committee on the Civil Service.

355. A letter from the Under Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a copy of the quarterly estimates of personnel requirements covering the quarter ending June 30, 1945; to the Committee on the Civil Service.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. CANNON of Missouri: Committee on Appropriations. House joint resolution 141. Joint resolution making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes; without amendment (Rept. No. 384). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 204. Resolution providing funds for expenses of the Committee on Ways and Means in obtaining information with respect to the need for the amendment and expansion of the Social Security Act; without amendment (Rept. No. 385). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 205. Resolution providing for the expenses of conducting the study and investigation authorized by House Resolution 187 of the Seventy-ninth Congress incurred by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; without amendment (Rept. No. 383). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 206. Resolution providing for the expenses of conducting the study and investigation authorized by House Resolution 45; without amendment (Rept. No. 387). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 207. Resolution providing for the expenses of conducting the study and investigation authorized by House Resolution 96 of the Seventy-ninth Congress incurred by the Committee on Public Lands; without amendment (Rept. No. 388). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 208. Resolution providing for the expenses of conducting the study and investigation authorized by House Resolution 154 of the Seventy-ninth Congress incurred by the Committee on Naval Affairs; without amendment (Rept. No. 389). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 209. Resolution providing for the expenses of conducting the study and investigation authorized by House Resolution 62 of the Seventy-ninth Congress incurred by the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds; without amendment (Rept. No. 390). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. COCHRAN: Committee on Accounts. House Resolution 210. Resolution providing for the compensation of the assistants to the superintendent of the House Press Gallery; without amendment (Rept. No. 391). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. BOREN: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. H. R. 694. A bill to amend section 321, title III, part II, Transportation Act of 1940, with respect to the movement of Government traffic; without amendment (Rept. No. 393). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SPENCE: Committee on Banking and Currency. H. R. 2775. A bill to permit cer-

tain subsidy and loss operations, in the case of flour, without regard to the provisions of the last paragraph of section 2 (e) of the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942; without amendment (Rept. No. 394). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. SPENCE:

H. R. 2775. A bill to permit certain subsidy and loss operations, in the case of flour, without regard to the provisions of the last paragraph of section 2 (e) of the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

H. R. 2776. A bill to control and regulate bank holding companies, to control and regulate relationships between insured banks and their affiliates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

By Mr. HORAN:

H. R. 2777. A bill to provide an additional surtax exemption to certain heads of families; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H. R. 2778. A bill to provide for the erection in Wenatchee, Wash., of a memorial in commemoration of the achievement of Clyde Pangborn and Hugh Herndon, Jr., in making the first nonstop flight from the Orient to the United States; to the Committee on the Library.

By Mr. KEARNEY:

H. R. 2779. A bill to permit civilian defense volunteers to retain on the cessation of civilian defense activities certain equipment issued by the United States; to the Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

By Mr. FLOOD:

H. R. 2780. A bill to provide for the presentation by the President of suitable insignia to Gold Star mothers and fathers of World War No. 2; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. MARCANTONIO:

H. R. 2781. A bill to provide for the withdrawal of the sovereignty of the United States over the island of Puerto Rico and for the recognition of its independence; to provide for the notification thereof to foreign governments; to provide for the assumption by the government of Puerto Rico of obligations under the treaty with Spain on December 10, 1898; to define trade and other relations between the United States and Puerto Rico; to provide for the calling of a convention to frame a constitution for the government of the island of Puerto Rico; to provide for certain mandatory provisions of the proposed constitution; to provide for the submission of the constitution to the people of Puerto Rico and its submission to the President of the United States for his approval; to provide for the adjustment of property rights between the United States and Puerto Rico; to

provide for the maintenance of military, coaling, and naval stations by the United States on the island of Puerto Rico until the termination of the war between the United States and Germany and Japan; to continue in force certain statutes until independence has been acknowledged; and for other purposes; to the Committee on Insular Affairs.

By Mr. PLUMLEY:

H. J. Res. 143. Joint resolution authorizing the presentation of medals to the widows, children, or mothers of persons who lose their lives in the military or naval service during World War No. 2; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. HORAN:

H. J. Res. 144. Joint resolution to require the head of each department, agency, or independent establishment in the executive branch of the Government to appear monthly before the committee of the House of Representatives concerned with its activities; to the Committee on Rules.

By Mr. COLMER:

H. Res. 211. Resolution authorizing the Special Committee on Post-War Economic Policy and Planning of the House of Representatives to have printed for its use additional copies of part 4 of the hearings on problems of foreign trade and shipping held before said special committee during the second session of the Seventy-eighth Congress and the current session; to the Committee on Printing.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XXII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

By the SPEAKER: Memorial of the Legislature of the State of Oklahoma, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to enact House Resolution 1197, a resolution to validate titles to certain lands conveyed by Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Also, memorial of the Legislature of the State of Arizona, memorializing the President and the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to compensate the State for the loss of taxes on public lands; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. EARTHMAN:

H. R. 2782. A bill for the relief of the Lebanon Woolen Mills, Inc.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. QUINN of New York:

H. R. 2783. A bill for the relief of Herluf F. J. Ravn; to the Committee on War Claims.

By Mr. TOLAN:

H. R. 2784. A bill for the relief of Fred Pittelli; to the Committee on Claims.

H. R. 2785. A bill for the relief of Will O'Brien, Mrs. Bessie O'Brien, and Jane O'Brien; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. TRAYNOR:

H. R. 2786. A bill for the relief of John S. Wingate; to the Committee on Claims.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

282. By Mr. FOPAND: Petition of 137 residents of the State of Rhode Island, beseeching the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States to prevent the alcoholic beverage industry from directing high-pressure campaigns to increase its profits at the expense of the home and of youth, by prohibiting the use of the air, periodicals, newspapers, motion pictures, or any other form of advertising, in view of the fact that our Nation is facing a world full of danger in which it becomes imperatively necessary to conserve our youth and to achieve a high degree of physical fitness; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

283. By Mr. JENSEN: Petition of the State Legislature of Iowa, memorializing the Congress of the United States to take immediate favorable action on Senate Joint Resolution 8, establishing a procedure by which Federal spending and Federal income would be balanced except in specified emergencies; to the Committee on Appropriations.

284. By Mr. MURDOCK: Memorial of the State Legislature of Arizona, requesting the Congress to enact legislation to compensate the State for the loss of taxes on the public lands; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

285. By Mr. SULLIVAN: Petition of Mr. Clementi and 32 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

286. Also, petition of Mrs. Kennedy and 31 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

287. Also, petition of Mr. Cooke and 31 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

288. Also, petition of Mrs. Hammach and 27 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

289. Also, petition of Mr. Holmes and 82 other citizens of St. Louis, Mo., protesting against the passage of any prohibition legislation by the Congress; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEAR 1945, FOR VARIOUS FEDERAL AGENCIES

MARCH 26, 1945.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed

MR. CANNON of Missouri, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. J. Res. 141]

The Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred the joint resolution (H. J. Res. 141) entitled "Joint resolution making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes," reports the measure without amendment with a favorable recommendation for its early consideration and passage by the House.

The resolution is designed to make effective upon its enactment the following supplementary appropriations for the fiscal year 1945, contained in the bill (H. R. 2374) making appropriations to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and for prior fiscal years, to provide supplemental appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1945, and June 30, 1946, and for other purposes, which passed the House on March 2, 1945, namely:

House of Representatives: Clerk hire, Members and Delegates, 1945.....	\$657, 000
Veterans' Administration:	
Printing and binding, 1945.....	200, 000
Pensions, 1945.....	233, 000, 000
Department of Agriculture: Control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases, 1945.....	1, 080, 050
Post Office Department:	
Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices, 1945..	1, 855, 000
Post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies, 1945.....	600, 500

It is quite evident that the aforementioned bill will not become a law before mid-April. The estimates upon which it was based generally contemplated enactment prior to April 1. By the latter date the need will have arisen—a pressing need in some instances—

for making drafts upon the additional funds the resolution seeks to lift from the measure in which they are now contained and to give to them an earlier availability.

All of the foregoing listed items except one have been considered and approved by the House, and are included without modification in H. R. 2374 as reported to the Senate. The one exception is the item—

Post Office Department, miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices, 1945----- \$1, 855, 000

The estimate for this item was submitted subsequent to the passage of H. R. 2374 by the House; is contained in Senate Document 25, and has been included, as submitted, in H. R. 2374 as reported to the Senate.

The justification for this item, contained in Senate Document 25, is as follows:

“To expedite the handling of an unprecedented volume of mail for our armed forces overseas the Post Office Department has established two postal concentration centers, one in New York, N. Y., and the other in Oakland, Calif.

“Due to the manpower shortage in recent months, it has been impossible for the Post Office Department to recruit sufficient civilian personnel to properly handle the ever-increasing volume of mail in the two postal concentration centers and in post offices of over 100 of the larger industrial cities. This was particularly true during the past Christmas mailing season. Both the Army and Navy Departments are cooperating with the Post Office Department, as emergencies arise, by detailing soldiers and sailors to post offices for assignment to mail-handling activities. The Post Office Department agreed to assume the cost of transportation, housing, and feeding of the military personnel while assigned to the Postal Service. This supplemental estimate will provide funds for this purpose.

“There is also included in this supplemental estimate funds for personal services over the amount contained in the 1945 appropriation which are required in the main for cleaning and janitor services for the two postal concentration centers mentioned above. This estimate also includes small sums for other items made necessary by the continued expansion of the Postal Service.”

As to all items, the resolution provides that they shall be in lieu of the corresponding items contained in H. R. 2374, and it is reasonable to expect that they will be eliminated from such bill by the Senate if the accompanying resolution be passed.

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79TH CONGRESS
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H. J. RES. 141

[Report No. 384]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 24, 1945

Mr. CANNON of Missouri introduced the following joint resolution; which
was referred to the Committee on Appropriations

MARCH 26, 1945

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union
and ordered to be printed

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending
June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained
in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and
for other purposes.

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
- 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 That the following sums and paragraphs are appropriated,
- 4 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,
- 5 in lieu of the corresponding sums and paragraphs contained
- 6 in the bill (H. R. 2374) making appropriations to supply
- 7 deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending
- 8 June 30, 1945, and for prior fiscal years, to provide supple-

1 mental appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30,
 2 1945, and June 30, 1946, and for other purposes, as passed
 3 by the House of Representatives on March 2, 1945, and as
 4 reported to the Senate on March 24, 1945, namely:

5 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

6 CLERK HIRE, MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

7 Clerk hire, Members and Delegates: For an additional
 8 amount for clerk hire for Representatives and Delegates and
 9 Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, as authorized by
 10 law, fiscal year 1945, \$657,000; and this amount shall
 11 be consolidated with the previous appropriation for such
 12 clerk hire for such fiscal year and the consolidated sum
 13 shall be available for such clerk hire as authorized by law.

14 VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

15 Printing and binding: For an additional amount for
 16 printing and binding, fiscal year 1945, \$200,000.

17 Pensions: For an additional amount for pensions, fiscal
 18 year 1945, \$233,000,000.

19 AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

20 Control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect
 21 pests and plant diseases: For an additional amount for con-
 22 trol of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and
 23 plant diseases, fiscal year 1945, including the objects speci-
 24 fied under this head in the Department of Agriculture
 25 Appropriation Act, 1945, \$1,080,050.

1 OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

2 (Out of the postal revenues)

3 Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices:

4 For an additional amount, fiscal year 1945, for "Mis-
5 cellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices",
6 \$1,855,000.

7 OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER

8 GENERAL

9 Post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies: For an
10 additional amount for post-office stationery, equipment, and
11 supplies, including the objects specified under this head in
12 the Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1945, fiscal
13 year 1945, \$600,500: *Provided*, That the limitation on the
14 amount available for the pay of employees in the District of
15 Columbia, in connection with the shipment of supplies, is
16 increased from \$75,500 to \$82,000, and the limitation on the
17 amount available for salaries of the thirteen traveling
18 mechanics is increased from \$38,900 to \$42,000.

79TH CONGRESS
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H. J. RES. 141

[Report No. 384]

JOINT RESOLUTION

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By Mr. CANNON of Missouri

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"Independent Offices: For national defense activities, Federal Communications Commission, \$3,759.87.

"For youth work and student aid, National Youth Administration, \$638.48.

"For project expenses, National Youth Administration (national defense), \$759.18.

"For pay, and so forth, commissioned officers, Public Health Service, \$1,260.

"For repair, preservation, and equipment, public buildings outside the District of Columbia, Public Buildings Administration, \$4,472.67.

"For salaries and expenses, Veterans' Administration, \$6,243.88.

"Department of Agriculture: For control of emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases, \$689.

"For exportation and domestic consumption of agricultural commodities, Department of Agriculture, \$3,316.75.

"For conservation and use of agricultural land resources, Department of Agriculture, \$3,777.

"Department of Commerce: For coastal surveys, Coast and Geodetic Survey, \$3,222.06.

"For maintenance of air-navigation facilities, Office of Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, \$1,740.59.

"For salaries and expenses, Weather Bureau, Department of Commerce, \$912.32.

"For technical development, Office of Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, \$1,382.98.

"Department of the Interior: For Civilian Conservation Corps (transfer to Interior, Indians), \$581.88.

"For Indian Service supply fund, \$947.61.

"For maintenance, irrigation systems, Flathead Reservation, Mont. (receipt limitation), \$21,772.57.

"For expenses, mining experiment stations, Bureau of Mines, \$1,084.

"Department of Justice: For medical center for Federal prisoners, maintenance, \$830.10.

"Navy Department: For naval emergency fund, \$2,918.19.

"For Naval Research Laboratory, \$31,554.90.

"For Naval Reserve, \$1,062.33.

"For maintenance, Bureau of Ships, \$233,848.82.

"For ordnance and ordnance stores, Navy, \$2,316.45.

"For pay, subsistence, and transportation, Navy, \$51,394.46.

"For maintenance, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, \$87,038.39.

"For Medical Department, Navy, \$4,786.22.

"For care of the dead, Navy, \$13,362.66.

"For maintenance, Bureau of Yards and Docks, \$12,833.14.

"For pay and allowances, Coast Guard (Navy), \$1,309.27.

"For general expenses, Coast Guard (Navy), \$30,489.31.

"For salaries, lighthouse vessels, Coast Guard (Navy), \$1,252.63.

"For aviation, Navy, \$1,463,916.95.

"For general expenses, Marine Corps, \$323,163.23.

"Post Office Department—Postal Service (out of the postal revenues): For domestic air-mail service, \$6,992.

"For foreign air-mail transportation, \$606,891.79.

"For Rural Delivery Service, \$550.

"Department of State: For transportation, Foreign Service, \$1,065.62.

"Treasury Department: For salaries and expenses, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, \$3,500.63.

"For uniforms and equipment, White House Police, \$790.67.

"War Department: For emergency fund for the President, War (allotment to War Department), \$17,650.96.

"For educational orders, production of munitions, War Department, \$3,850.56.

"For Selective Service System (transfer to War), \$651.64.

"For pay of the Army, \$892.20.

"For Civilian Conservation Corps (transfer to War), \$1,763.83.

"Total, audited claims, section 204, \$2,984,873.57, together with such additional sum due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in the foreign currency and interest as specified in certain of the settlements of the General Accounting Office."

And in lieu thereof to insert the following:

"Sec. 204. For the payment of claims certified to be due by the General Accounting Office under appropriations the balances of which have been carried to the surplus fund under the provision of section 5 of the act of June 20, 1874 (31 U. S. C. 713), and under appropriations heretofore treated as permanent, being for the service of the fiscal year 1942 and prior years, unless otherwise stated, and which have been certified to Congress under section 2 of the act of July 7, 1884 (5 U. S. C. 266), as fully set forth in House Document No. 88, and Senate Document No. 24, Seventy-ninth Congress, there are appropriated the sums of \$2,697,740.06, together with such additional sum due to increases in rates of exchange as may be necessary to pay claims in the foreign currency and interest as specified in certain of the settlements of the General Accounting Office, to be disbursed and accounted for as a single fund, and \$615,075.44 payable from postal revenues, in all, \$3,312,815.50."

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, the Senator from Minnesota [Mr. BALL] asked me about an amendment on page 44.

Mr. BALL. Yes. It has been the custom of the Appropriations Committee in the past to itemize all those items, and it meant carrying 30 or 40 different accounts on the books of the Treasury.

Mr. McKELLAR. The committee has lumped them so as to save an immense amount of bookkeeping in the Department, and they are taken care of the same as heretofore, and probably better.

Mr. President, I have several amendments that I ask unanimous consent to offer on behalf of the committee.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and the first amendment offered by the Senator from Tennessee will be stated.

Mr. BARKLEY. Mr. President, may I ask the Senator whether the amendments he is about to offer involve any substantive legislation?

Mr. McKELLAR. None at all.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will state the first amendment offered by the Senator from Tennessee.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 9, after line 22, it is proposed to insert the following:

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Temporary aid to enemy aliens and other restricted persons: The limitation of \$50,000 under this head in the Federal Security Agency Appropriation Act, 1945, upon the amount which may be transferred to this appropriation from "Salaries and expenses, War Relocation Authority," is hereby increased to \$343,340.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the amendment is agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. On behalf of the committee, I offer another amendment, having to do with Public Works Administration liquidation, and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 10, after line 5, it is proposed to insert the following:

Public Works Administration liquidation: That the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1944, approved June 23, 1944 (Public Law 375, 78th Cong.), is hereby amended through the amendment of the two paragraphs captioned "Public Works Administration liquidation" appearing under the heading "Federal Works Agency—Office of the Administrator," by striking out the words "until June 30, 1945" wherever they appear therein, and substituting in lieu thereof "until June 30, 1946", and by inserting immediately following the words "during the fiscal year 1945" in the first paragraph the following words: "and not exceeding a total of \$50,000 may be used during the fiscal year 1946."

Mr. WHERRY. Is that to take the place of Senate bill 656?

Mr. McKELLAR. Yes; it takes the place of the bill referred to.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from Tennessee.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. On behalf of the committee, I next offer another amendment, to come on page 10, line 19.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 10, after line 19, after the word "Provided", it is proposed to insert "That the limitation of \$80,000,000 under this head in the First Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1945, on the total amount that may be allocated for contributions to public and private agencies for the maintenance and operation of public works after July 1, 1943, is hereby increased to \$85,000,000: *Provided further*."

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the amendment is agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. On behalf of the committee, I send another amendment to the desk, and ask unanimous consent for its consideration.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 12, line 2, after the word "annum", it is proposed to insert "and to employ by contract, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes, professional services of firms and organizations for temporary periods or for special purposes: *Provided*, That the expenses of auditing the financial transactions of all Government corporations by the General Accounting Office shall be borne out of appropriations to the General Accounting Office, and appropriations in such sums as may be necessary are hereby authorized: *Provided further*, That each such corporation shall reimburse the General Accounting Office for the full cost of any such audit as billed therefor by the Comptroller General, and the General Accounting Office shall deposit the sums so reimbursed into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts: *Provided further*, That, unless otherwise expressly provided by law, no funds of any Government corporation shall be used to pay the cost of any private audit of the financial transactions of such corporation except the cost of such audits contracted for and undertaken prior to the date of approval of this act."

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the amendment is agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. I offer another amendment on behalf of the committee. The amendment comes in on page 20, line 20. I ask that it be stated and agreed to.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 20, line 2, before the period it is proposed to insert the following: "; and of said appropriation not to exceed \$200,000 is made available for expenses incurred during the fiscal year 1945 incident to the establishment, maintenance, and operation of the emergency refugee shelter at Fort Ontario, N. Y., provided for in the President's message of June 12, 1944, to the Congress H. Doc. 656).".

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, the purpose of that amendment is to take care of certain refugees at Fort Ontario.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the amendment is agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, for the committee I also ask unanimous consent to offer an amendment on page 4, line 4, for payment to the widow of the late Representative Heidinger, of Illinois.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The amendment will be stated.

The CHIEF CLERK. On page 4, after line 4, it is proposed to insert:

For payment to the widow of James V. Heidinger, late a Representative from the State of Illinois, \$10,000, to be disbursed by the Sergeant at Arms of the House.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, the amendment is agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, Chairman CANNON, of the House Appropriations Committee, has addressed a letter to me in regard to five items in the bill which are urgent and he also makes reference to House Joint Resolution 141 which he desires to have the Senate act upon today.

In order that the joint resolution may be considered and passed it will be necessary on page 4 of the pending bill to strike out lines 18 to 25, inclusive, and I move that that be done.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The question is on the motion of the Senator from Tennessee.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. On page 14 I move to strike out lines 20 to 23, inclusive.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. On page 16 I move to strike out lines 7 to 13, inclusive.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. On page 28 I move to strike out lines 22 to 24, inclusive, and lines 1 to 7, inclusive, on page 29.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, that is all the amendments I have to offer.

The VICE PRESIDENT. If there be no further amendment the question is on the engrossment of the amendments and the third reading of the bill.

The amendments were ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill (H. R. 2374) was read the third time and passed.

Mr. McKELLAR. I move that the Senate insist on its amendments, request

representatives thereon, and that the conferees on the part of the Senate be appointed by the Chair.

The motion was agreed to; and the Vice President appointed Mr. McKELLAR, Mr. GLASS, Mr. HAYDEN, Mr. TYDINGS, Mr. RUSSELL, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. BRIDGES, and Mr. GURNEY conferees on the part of the Senate.

CERTAIN ITEMS OF APPROPRIATION

Mr. McKELLAR. Mr. President, as I have said, Representative CANNON, the chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, has written me a letter in connection with the bill just passed and referring to House Joint Resolution 141 which it is desired to have passed. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider the joint resolution.

Mr. WHITE. Mr. President, I should like to inquire what the joint resolution is.

Mr. McKELLAR. It relates to five items in the bill. I will read the letter of Mr. CANNON so that the Senate may better understand the matter. Mr. CANNON's letter reads as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS,
Washington, D. C., March 26, 1945.

Hon. KENNETH McKELLAR,
Acting Chairman, Committee on
Appropriations, United States Senate.

DEAR SENATOR McKELLAR: The program of the House is such that I fear it will not be practicable to conclude a conference on the first deficiency appropriation bill (H. R. 2374) and have the report thereon disposed of by the House much, if any, before mid-April.

Consequently, informal communication has been had with the Bureau of the Budget as to the immediate need for funds carried in such bill. Word has come back that there are five (5) items contained in the bill, as reported to the Senate, which should be made available as early as may be practicable.

Such five items, and one pertaining to the House of Representatives, also of an urgent nature, have been provided for in House Joint Resolution 141, which I introduced in the House on Saturday, and which, I am assured, will be passed by the House today. I am enclosing a copy thereof and of the report thereon. Immediately upon passage, I shall get word to you through Mr. Smith, the clerk of your committee.

I trust this course will be satisfactory to you, under the circumstances, and assume that you will wish to eliminate the six items included in the resolution from H. R. 2374.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

CLARENCE CANNON,
Chairman.

Mr. WHITE. Then the joint resolution simply takes care of the five items in one of which at least the House is concerned?

Mr. McKELLAR. Yes; some emergency items. If the items contained in the joint resolution are provided for by the passage of the joint resolution, even if the deficiency bill which the Senate passed a few minutes ago should be delayed, no great harm would be done. I think, however, as a matter of fact, that the bill will probably be agreed to in conference before Wednesday night; certainly I hope so.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Is there objection to the present consideration of the joint resolution?

There being no objection, the joint resolution (H. J. Res. 141) making supple-

ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes, was considered, ordered to a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Miller, one of his secretaries.

THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE AT SAN FRANCISCO ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION

The VICE PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, which was read and referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

The coming victory of the United Nations means that they, and not their enemies, have power to establish the foundations of the future.

On April 25 their representatives will meet in San Francisco to draw up the charter for the general organization of the United Nations for security and peace. On this meeting and what comes after it our best hopes of a secure and peaceful world depend.

At the same time we know that we cannot succeed in building a peaceful world unless we build an economically healthy world. We are already taking decisive steps to this end. The efforts to improve currency relationships by the International Monetary Fund, to encourage international investments and make them more secure by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, to free the air for peaceful flight by the Chicago civil aviation arrangements are part of that endeavor. So, too, is the proposed food and agriculture organization of the United Nations.

We owe it to the vision of Secretary Hull that another of the essential measures we shall need to accomplish our objective has been tested and perfected by 10 years of notably successful experience under his leadership. You are all familiar with the Trade Agreements Act, which has been on the books since 1934 and which on three occasions since that time the Congress has renewed. The present law expires in June of this year. I recommend that it again be renewed so that the great work which Secretary Hull began may be continued.

Under him the reciprocal trade agreement program represented a sustained effort to reduce the barriers which the nations of the world maintained against each other's trade. If the economic foundations of the peace are to be as secure as the political foundations, it is clear that this effort must be continued vigorously and effectively.

Trade is fundamental to the prosperity of nations, as it is of individuals. All of us earn our living by producing for some market, and all of us buy in some market most of the things we need. We do better, both as producers and consumers, when the markets upon which we depend are as large and rich and various and competitive as possible. The same is true of nations.

We have not always understood this in

agriculture and nutrition and for disseminating ideas and advice on how the available information can be of greatest usefulness.

Improved standards of nutrition, increased levels of farm incomes, avoidance of agricultural surpluses—these are among the important objectives that the food and agriculture organization will assist the nations of the world in achieving. The organization will seek to better conditions in food and agriculture by fostering international cooperation in developing the optimum use of the resources of land, labor, and science. One of its important jobs will be to help in improving the marketing of agricultural products throughout the world so that farmers can find good markets here and abroad and continue to produce as fully as is consistent with sound conservation practices.

The constitution of the organization provides that it shall include fisheries and forests within the scope of its work, and that in agriculture it shall cover both food and nonfood products. The work of the food and agriculture organization will be primarily technical and advisory. Its staff will be small; its budget will be small, \$2,500,000 for the first year—with \$625,000 as the share to be borne by the United States—and about twice that amount in succeeding years. It is in no sense a relief organization.

In becoming a member of the Food and Agriculture Organization, we will retain complete freedom of action in determining our national agriculture policies. Under its constitution, the organization will have no powers of direction or control over any nation. It will recommend agricultural policies and advise nations on their food and agricultural problems, but it will have no power to coerce or demand. The constitution provides that all member nations shall have equal representation in the conference of the organization, each being entitled to one vote. Our responsibilities in joining the Organization are of the same nature as those Congress has heretofore authorized in approving our participation in the Pan American Union.

I therefore recommend that the Congress approve our active participation in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, in accordance with its proposed constitution as set forth in appendix I of the attached report, and authorize annual appropriations of our share of the budget of the organization.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 26, 1945.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Mr. BARKLEY. Mr. President, I now ask that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the three nominations on the Executive Calendar.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Charles R. Denny, Jr., to be a member of the Federal Communications Commission.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the nomination is confirmed.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

The legislative clerk read the nomination of George A. Cook to be a member of the National Mediation Board.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the nomination is confirmed.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Julius G. Luhrsens to be a member of the Railroad Retirement Board.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the nomination is confirmed.

Mr. BARKLEY. I ask unanimous consent that the President be notified at once of the confirmation of all these nominations.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the President will be forthwith notified.

RECESS

Mr. BARKLEY. I move that the Senate take a recess until 12 o'clock noon tomorrow.

The motion was agreed to; and (at 4 o'clock and 55 minutes p. m.) the Senate, in executive session, took a recess until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 27, 1945, at 12 o'clock meridian.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate March 26 (legislative day of March 16), 1945:

PROMOTIONS IN THE REGULAR ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

MEDICAL CORPS

To be majors

Capt. Elmer Deloss Gay, Medical Corps (temporary lieutenant colonel), with rank from April 8, 1945.

Capt. Gordon G. Bulla, Medical Corps (temporary colonel), with rank from April 19, 1945.

Capt. William Albert Todd, Jr., Medical Corps (temporary colonel), with rank from April 26, 1945.

Capt. James Bowdoin Stapleton, Medical Corps (temporary colonel), with rank from April 26, 1945.

Capt. Floyd Lawrence Wergeland, Medical Corps (temporary colonel), with rank from April 28, 1945.

Capt. Robert Stultz Brua, Medical Corps (temporary colonel), with rank from April 28, 1945.

To be captains

First Lt. Herbert William Jenkins, Medical Corps (temporary captain), with rank from April 4, 1945.

First Lt. Freeman Irby Stephens, Medical Corps (temporary major), with rank from April 10, 1945.

PHARMACY CORPS

To be lieutenant colonel

Maj. Seth Overbaugh Craft, Pharmacy Corps (temporary lieutenant colonel), with rank from April 20, 1945.

CHAPLAIN

To be captain

Chaplain (First Lt.) Elmer Everett Wehking, United States Army (temporary captain), with rank from April 15, 1945, subject to examination required by law.

UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

The following-named officers for promotion in the Regular Corps of the United States Public Health Service:

Passed assistant dental surgeon to be temporary dental surgeon effective February 1, 1945:

Kenneth A. Haines

Assistant sanitary engineers to be passed assistant sanitary engineers effective dates indicated:

Albert H. Stevenson, May 1, 1945.

Frank Tetzlaff, May 1, 1945.

Callis H. Atkins, March 15, 1945.

Assistant surgeons to be temporary senior assistant surgeons effective March 1, 1945:

John K. McBane Vernon R. Dennis, Jr.

Edwin D. Merrill James R. Hurley

Frank A. Buell Herbert F. Hager

Wardell H. Mills Andrew P. Sackett

Surgeons to be temporary senior surgeons effective March 1, 1945:

Theodore J. Bauer

Joseph S. Spoto

James R. Shaw

Sanitary engineer to be temporary senior sanitary engineer effective March 1, 1945:

Allen D. Brandt

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate March 26 (legislative day of March 16), 1945:

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Charles R. Denny, Jr., to be a member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of 7 years from July 1, 1944.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

George A. Cook, to be a member of the National Mediation Board for the term expiring February 1, 1948.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Julius G. Luhrsens, to be a member of the Railroad Retirement Board for the remainder of the term expiring August 29, 1949.

House of Representatives

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 1945

The House met at 12 o'clock noon, and was called to order by the Speaker.

The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Thou eternal Christ, from whom cometh wisdom and power, regard us in mercy and hold not Thy Holy Spirit from us. Unto Thee we come with our failures and our sins and ask for divine compassion and forgiveness. Inspire our souls with that spiritual quality which God, our Heavenly Father, shares with His earthly children. Calm and purge our hearts; make them free in the liberty which Thou dost bestow. Thine hand is velveted with tenderness to wipe away tears and steeled to smite selfishness and hypocrisy. As we reflect these days upon Him who is treading the path which leads to the Mount of Sacrifice, O set our minds on the stewardship entrusted to us, Thine to be used for the cause of our common Lord. Care for all strangers within our gates and bless all our homes with the angel of Thy providence. In the holy name of Jesus. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The Journal of the proceedings of Saturday, March 24, 1945, was read and approved.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Miller, one of his secretaries, who also informed the House that on the following dates the President approved and signed bills of the House of the following titles:

On March 21, 1945:

H. R. 197. An act to establish the grade of general in the Marine Corps, and for other purposes; and

H. R. 1646. An act to establish the grade of admiral in the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

On March 23, 1945:

H. R. 242. An act for the relief of Ruben M. Herren;

H. R. 256. An act for the relief of Dr. Luther J. Head;

H. R. 687. An act for the relief of certain officers and employees of the Foreign Service of the United States who, while in the course of their respective duties, suffered losses of personal property by reason of war conditions;

H. R. 987. An act for the relief of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.; and

H. R. 1485. An act for the relief of Henry B. Tucker.

On March 24, 1945:

H. R. 257. An act for the relief of the estate of Dr. David O. Clements, deceased;

H. R. 1149. An act for the relief of Dane D. Morgan;

H. R. 1429. An act to permit the Administrator, War Shipping Administration, and the United States Maritime Commission, during the national emergency, to pay the tax im-

posed under section 1410 of the Internal Revenue Code without regard to the \$3,000 limitation in section 1426 (a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

H. R. 2506. An act to amend an act regulating the height of buildings in the District of Columbia, approved June 1, 1910, as amended.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL YEAR 1945, FOR VARIOUS FEDERAL AGENCIES

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. CANNON].

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of House Joint Resolution 141, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, so there will be no question I reserve all points of order.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the resolution?

There was no objection.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution may be considered in the House as in the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the House joint resolution, as follows:

Resolved, etc., That the following sums and paragraphs are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, in lieu of the corresponding sums and paragraphs contained in the bill (H. R. 2374) making appropriations to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and for prior fiscal years, to provide supplemental appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1945, and June 30, 1946, and for other purposes, as passed by the House of Representatives on March 2, 1945, and as reported to the Senate on March 24, 1945, namely:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CLERK HIRE, MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

Clerk hire, Members and Delegates: For an additional amount for clerk hire for Representatives and Delegates and Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, as authorized by law, fiscal year 1945, \$657,000; and this amount shall be consolidated with the previous appropriation for such clerk hire for such fiscal year and the consolidated sum shall be available for such clerk hire as authorized by law.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Printing and binding: For an additional amount for printing and binding, fiscal year 1945, \$200,000.

Pensions: For an additional amount for pensions, fiscal year 1945, \$233,000,000.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

Control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases: For an additional amount for control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases, fiscal year 1945, including the objects specified under this head in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1945, \$1,080,050.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

(Out of the postal revenues)

Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices: For an additional amount, fiscal year 1945, for "Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices," \$1,855,000.

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

Post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies: For an additional amount for post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies, including the objects specified under this head in the Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1945, fiscal year 1945, \$600,500: *Provided*, That the limitation on the amount available for the pay of employees in the District of Columbia, in connection with the shipment of supplies, is increased from \$75,500 to \$82,000, and the limitation on the amount available for salaries of the 13 traveling mechanicians is increased from \$33,900 to \$42,000.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, the first deficiency bill for 1945 passed the House on March 2. We were under the impression at that time we would be able to dispose of the bill before the recess; however, the bill has not yet been reported in the Senate and is expected to be reported today.

It will be impossible to go to conference and get final action on the bill in time to meet some of the pressing need for funds in one or two directions and for this reason we have with the concurrence of the Bureau of the Budget submitted a joint resolution providing for five items which should be disposed of before April 15. All of these have passed the House; all were in the deficiency bill and are included here in the form in which they passed the House, with the exception of the next to the last item.

This is an emergency which has arisen since the bill was considered by the House committee and has been submitted to the Senate Committee on Appropriations by the Bureau of the Budget. It has been included by the Senate committee in the bill and will be submitted to and passed by the Senate. For this reason we include it in the pending joint resolution.

These five items are largely self-explanatory. We included the additional clerk hire necessary to provide for the April pay roll. The disbursing clerk will be discommoded unless this is provided immediately. We also provide for the

Veterans' Administration \$200,000 for printing and binding and for pensions \$233,000,000. General Hines advises us he will be unable to meet the regular monthly pension pay roll on April 15 unless this additional money is appropriated. The item for control of insect pests is obviously necessary at this time if the farmers are to proceed with their spring planting.

It is matter of procurement and distribution of material for combating the chinch bug in a number of States, and, of course, would have no value this year if the insecticide were not applied before the infestation occurs. The item appears on page 16, beginning in line 8, of the bill as reported to the Senate.

The last two items for the Post Office Department are deficiencies which are occasioned solely by the necessity for caring for mail for soldiers abroad. It will be impossible to deliver mail to soldiers abroad unless this money is provided.

The first is for post office stationery, equipment, and supplies. The Post Office is running out of funds in this item, where the extra load is occasioned by the added work incident to handling mail for the boys overseas. The item appears on pages 28 and 29, beginning in line 22 of page 28, of the bill as reported to the Senate.

The remaining item is one inserted in the bill by the Senate Committee on Appropriations, pursuant to a Budget estimate contained in Senate Document No. 25. The amount is \$1,855,000 and is for miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices. The original appropriation for this item was \$2,820,000.

The Senate has had hearings on the supplemental request, which disclose that it is occasioned by the added work of handling mail for the armed forces at the two postal concentration centers—namely, New York City, and Oakland, Calif. It is a matter of transporting, housing, and feeding Army and Navy personnel assigned from time to time, because of the lack of civilian personnel, to enable the Postal Service to handle the great volume of mail going out and coming in from the boys on the war fronts at these postal concentration centers.

There is an actual deficiency at this time in excess of \$800,000.

Mr. RANKIN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. I yield to the gentleman from Mississippi.

Mr. RANKIN. This deficiency appropriation is limited to the present fiscal year, is it not?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. For the 1945 fiscal year. They are all deficiencies.

Mr. RANKIN. The reason I ask is if we do not have a revival of righteousness at both ends of the Capitol and they adopt the amendment that I tried to put in for rural electrification on Saturday, we are going to have to go to the Deficiency Committee on Appropriations to get funds for that purpose, and I wanted to know if this measure covered it.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. All such requirements will be considered as they arise.

Mr. RICH. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. I yield to the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

Mr. RICH. As I understand, H. R. 374 has not passed the Senate, and that is the reason the gentleman wants to add these five items to the bill?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. It was reported to the Senate on Saturday and the expectation is that it will be passed today. But there will not be time for a conference on the items in disagreement before the recess.

Mr. RICH. What are the chances of cutting down on some of those items when you go to conference? For instance, the Federal Works Agency has an item of \$20,000,000 now. Why do you not hold those things up until after the war when you will probably need that sum to keep the manpower in this country busy? And again, take this Federal Housing item of \$34,373,000. Why can you not conserve on some of these items here in half a dozen different places?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. If the gentleman will refer to the bill before the House, he will note that the item to which he refers is not included. He will find only one item here that is in disagreement. Both the House and the Senate, at the close of today's session, will have agreed to everything in the pending joint resolution with the exception of the next to the last item. So far as cutting that item is concerned, we will not be able to cut down pensions to soldiers. Payment is mandatory under the law.

Mr. TABER. Mr. Speaker, I move to strike out the last word.

Mr. Speaker, all of these items that are included in this resolution are items that are immediately necessary to take care of the obligations of the Government and to take care of the handling of the soldiers' mail that goes overseas from New York and Oakland. I do not see how we can fail to meet our obligations in this respect. The deficiency bill cannot possibly become a law much before the 1st of May, and in view of the fact that the Veterans' Bureau, the Post Office Department, and the Department of Agriculture need this money immediately, I think we have to pass the resolution.

While we are on this subject, and in connection with these items as well as others, I wish to call attention to this fact. Title 31 of the United States Code, relating to money and finance, section 582, provides that the Budget shall submit to the Congress a statement showing:

First, the number of persons, if any, intended to be employed and the rates of compensation to each, and the amounts contemplated to be expended for each of any other objects or classes of expenditures specified or contemplated in the estimate, including a statement of estimated unit cost of any construction work proposed to be done.

It has come to be the habit of the Budget to submit, in violation of the law, instead of the number of employees, the man-years that are to be used in that department. That lets them creep up on us and have a larger number of employees than they would get if they told

us outright the number that were to be provided for in compliance with the law. This is another way of building up appropriations to violate the money and finance section of the United States Code. The Budget Bureau has been doing this for 2 or 3 years. I call attention to it at this time, and I intend to call attention to it later on and show very specifically how they are able to provide for extra employees and to waste the people's money without telling a straightforward story to the committees of the Congress and without telling a story in the Budget that anybody can follow through. I am hopeful that with just this explanation of what they are doing and how they are violating the law we will have relief and have this practice corrected.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I move to strike out the last two words.

Mr. Speaker, the practice to which the gentleman refers is one which has been adopted by the Bureau of the Budget by general consent. It gives a better picture, a more detailed review than is possible when personnel is substituted for man-hours. No objection has been made to it up to this time either in the subcommittee, in the whole committee, or here on the floor when the bills have been up for consideration. I do not know what has been the practice of the other subcommittees, but in the Subcommittee on Deficiencies invariably we have asked the departments when they came before us to translate man-hours into personnel, into the number of individuals. There has been no single case in which we have had such an estimate before the subcommittee in which the department has not given us both.

Mr. RANKIN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. I yield to the gentleman from Mississippi.

Mr. RANKIN. I am afraid I did not make myself clear awhile ago when I referred to the Rural Electrification appropriation. Of course, if the Senate puts in the bill the amendment I offered, raising the amount to \$150,000,000, and restores that amount to the bill, we will not have to have a deficiency appropriation.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. That is true.

Mr. RANKIN. But if they do not do that and we need these funds to carry on our rural-electrification program for another year we will have to have a deficiency appropriation.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. In such case the committee would be glad to consider any recommendation submitted by the Budget.

Mr. RANKIN. I did not want us to be precluded from introducing a resolution here that would cover the next fiscal year instead of this one.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. I think that is generally understood.

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. The gentleman certainly does not think there is any excuse for an express violation of the

terms of the code, to which the distinguished gentleman from New York [Mr. TABER] has referred, does he?

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. As I said before, the Bureau of the Budget has by general consent adopted this system of giving more detailed and more accurate information. Any member of the committee has the right, and I think in all cases with which I am familiar they have exercised the right, to ask for the figures both in personnel and in man-years. The advantage of having the estimates in man-years is so obvious that no member of the committee or of the subcommittee has ever raised a point of order against it. If there is any delinquency here why has not the gentleman made the question either when these bills were under consideration by the committee or when they came to the House and were considered here on the floor?

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the pro forma amendment.

Mr. Speaker, I do not intend to consume the full 5 minutes. I merely want to say that in my judgment this practice has been a constant source of confusion to the members of the Committee on Appropriations ever since it was adopted. No satisfactory explanation, as far as I am concerned, was ever given for its adoption. Its wisdom has been questioned again and again in the subcommittee to which I belong. I think it is a thoroughly undesirable practice, and when it is pointed out that it is in express violation of a provision of the United States Code, I fail to see how there can be any possible justification for it.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Has the gentleman or any other member of the committee at any time called attention to this during the hearings or on the floor in the consideration of a bill?

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. Yes; it has been raised repeatedly in the committee on independent offices appropriations, on which I have served for a great many years. Objection has been raised to the difficulty it has caused and the confusion it has created, and it has been necessary again and again to have the agency spell out the figures given us in terms of man-years to show what they means in terms of actual positions.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. The Department has always done that?

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. They have done so when we have requested them to, but it is often a laborious proposition. It always increases very much the difficulty of finding out what the actual picture is, in my judgment.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. In all the hearings I have attended the department was quite ready to supply such information and has supplied it whenever requested. The plan of submitting the estimates by man-hours is far more accurate. Two or three persons might hold the same position at various times during the year and the only definite way of checking the position would be to show the number of man-hours it represented

during the year. If the method was ever objected to in the subcommittee in the independent offices appropriation bill, it was never mentioned in any way when the subcommittee reported to the whole committee or when the bill was reported to the House. This is the first time the question has ever been raised either in the Committee on Appropriations or in the House. If a matter of such importance, why has no mention been made of it when these bills were up for consideration?

Mr. PLUMLEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. WIGGLESWORTH. I yield.

Mr. PLUMLEY. I would like to suggest, Mr. Speaker, that no man whom I know in this House would be more anxious to quickly compel the correct observance of the law than the chairman of the Committee on Appropriations. The fact that nobody in committee has ever raised a point of order with respect to this being a violation of the law which it is, obviously, is no justification for its continuance. If this is the proper way for the Bureau of the Budget to bring forward its statistics and estimates, then the statutes should be so amended as to permit it. If it is not, and if the Budget persists in the practice complained of, then it should not be tolerated and the objection is timely whenever made and should obtain. The language and the intent of the statute should prevail so long as the law is on the books.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, the Departments have gone much further than the statutes in the interest of a detailed presentation and have presented this additional information although not required by the statute.

The positions have been reduced to man-hours as a help to the committee. To tell the committee how many persons have been employed during the year means nothing. Some may have been employed 2 months and some 2 weeks. Only by giving the number of man-hours can it be made intelligible. And in every bill the departments have given the number of persons in addition to the number of man-hours. There has been no instance in any hearing on any bill in which the department has failed to give the number of persons in addition to the number of hours when requested. The whole objection is ridiculous.

If it was a matter of the slightest consequence why was not it raised when the independent office bill was before the committee or the House, when the War Department civil functions bill was before the House, when the Treasury and Post Office bill was before the House, when the first deficiency bill was before the House, when the State, Justice, and Commerce bill was before the House, when the Agricultural bill was before the House. And now at this late day it is brought up when there is nothing before the House to which it applies in any respect. On the face of it, it is a mare's nest.

The SPEAKER. The time of the gentleman from Massachusetts has expired.

Mr. CANNON of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question. The previous question was ordered.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Accounts, I submit House Resolution 204, and ask for its immediate consideration.

Mr. Speaker, I have asked for this recognition in order to call up six resolutions appropriating money from the contingent fund of the House for the use of standing committees in connection with investigations.

The House, acting on the recommendation of the Rules Committees, passed five resolutions extending the life of the investigations being carried on by standing committees.

The Ways and Means Committee did not desire any resolution to be passed, feeling satisfied that it had jurisdiction under the regular rules of the House to investigate the subject that it proposed to go into, social security.

Hearings were held by the Accounts Committee, and the chairman and the ranking members of each committee appeared. The amounts allowed, with the exception of the Ways and Means Committee, were not as much as requested.

As the Members know, I have consistently opposed investigating committees, feeling that we should wait until we had a report from the Monroney committee. The House, however, did not agree with me and you have already passed, in 2 months, over 20 resolutions providing for investigations. It is my understanding that others are to follow.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the expenses of the Committee on Ways and Means in obtaining information with respect to the need for the amendment and expansion of the Social Security Act, with particular reference to old-age and survivors insurance and the problems of coverage, benefits, and taxes related thereto, incurred by the committee, acting as a whole or by subcommittee, not to exceed \$50,000, including the employment of such actuaries, consultants, and other experts, and of such clerical, stenographic, and other assistants, as it finds necessary, shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House on vouchers authorized by the committee, signed by the chairman, and approved by the Committee on Accounts.

Sec. 2. The official stenographers to committees may be used at all hearings held in the District of Columbia, if not otherwise officially engaged.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMMITTEE ON INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Accounts, I submit House Resolution 205, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That the expenses of conducting the studies and investigations authorized by House Resolution 290 of the Seventy-sixth Congress, and continued by House Resolution 15, House Resolution 188, and House Resolution 383 of the Seventy-seventh Congress and by House Resolution 58 of the Seventy-



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[CHAPTER 47—1ST SESSION]

[H. J. Res. 141]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, in lieu of certain appropriations contained in H. R. 2374, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums and paragraphs are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, in lieu of the corresponding sums and paragraphs contained in the bill (H. R. 2374) making appropriations to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, and for prior fiscal years, to provide supplemental appropriations for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1945, and June 30, 1946, and for other purposes, as passed by the House of Representatives on March 2, 1945, and as reported to the Senate on March 24, 1945, namely:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CLERK HIRE, MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

Clerk hire, Members and Delegates: For an additional amount for clerk hire for Representatives and Delegates and Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico, as authorized by law, fiscal year 1945, \$657,000; and this amount shall be consolidated with the previous appropriation for such clerk hire for such fiscal year and the consolidated sum shall be available for such clerk hire as authorized by law.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Printing and binding: For an additional amount for printing and binding, fiscal year 1945, \$200,000.

Pensions: For an additional amount for pensions, fiscal year 1945, \$233,000,000.

AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

Control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases: For an additional amount for control of incipient and emergency outbreaks of insect pests and plant diseases, fiscal year 1945, including the objects specified under this head in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1945, \$1,080,050.

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

(Out of the postal revenues)

Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices: For an additional amount, fiscal year 1945, for "Miscellaneous items, first- and second-class post offices", \$1,855,000.

OFFICE OF THE FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL

Post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies: For an additional amount for post-office stationery, equipment, and supplies, including the objects specified under this head in the Post Office Department Appropriation Act, 1945, fiscal year 1945, \$600,500: *Provided*, That the limitation on the amount available for the pay of employees in the District of Columbia, in connection with the shipment of supplies, is increased from \$75,500 to \$82,000, and the limitation on the amount available for salaries of the thirteen traveling mechanics is increased from \$38,900 to \$42,000.

Approved March 31, 1945.